*Known in English as the Cuckoo bird

月のしっぽ

Tsuki no Shippo
Chapter 3

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Usa-sama
Throw it up!!
choke
insert
GAG
GAG GACK
Throw up everything!!
USAGI!!
Hold on Usa-sama!
GACK!
gulg
It'd be great if I were Hanzou-sama's only bride candidate...
Gotta hurry and grow up, huh?
suck suck
MAMEZOU'S MANY DISGUISES

I thought I was gonna die...
Are...are you some kind of snake...
W... Why?
You're supposed to leave the bones!
Well, I was just SO hungry...
I was so worried!
ha ha
GASP
Usa-sama
COUGH!
Eh~~~~~~~~ I'm in the same room as you!?
Usa-sama, what about your pajamas?
Oh-
Lays down
Whatever, I'm going to bed.
Heave ho
YELL-
YELL-
That's MY line!!
I put in plenty but it's not affecting her at all!!
W- Why!?
SNORE
SNORE
I'll put on my pajamas before bed

It's really great of you to be helping out in the morning
Usa-sama come on, wake up~~~
G..
Good morning.
surprised
You're up eorly Yuuri.
chirp
chirp
Hanzouw hana ♡
drag
drag
It's time for breakfast.
tug
tug
.....
I'll put in much more than last night...
sprinkle
I'm up~
Usagi!!
The Elder said he was not feeling well this morning and is still in bed.
Is that so? I'll go check on him in a little while.
Well then, shall we start?
Wait, the Elder is not here yet.
Okay, here you go Usagi-♡ chan
heh
space
Thanks

WHA!?
Thank you very much for the food.
sigh~~
Should you always eat a feet?
Don't you chew anything?
SHOVEL SHOVEL
doki doki
Here I go!
And now..
shall we partake of this foo.....
slurp
slurp
sip
Don't "EH~~~~" me, you are now an apprentice in training.
EHhhhhh!?
Usagi, from now on it is your job to tidy up after meals and to keep these premises clean.
Wh... Why!?
Mamezou, what do you think of all this? Cruel, isn't it?
boo~
bor~
wipe wipe
lick
Could the poison be old and have lost its potency?
Why isn't it working!?
Usa-sama, do some actual work!
I absolu~~tely ha~~~te to clea~~~n La La~~
dash

GAG
GASP
Yuuri?
slide
GACK
GECK
Yuuri, you're all green...
What's wrong!?
UWA!
Wh...
GECK
Why.... didn't it work on you...!?
GE-
GO-
Eh?
You gave me a dose of this didn't you!?
For crying out loud,
poisons don't have any effect on me.
GASP
GASP
HEY!

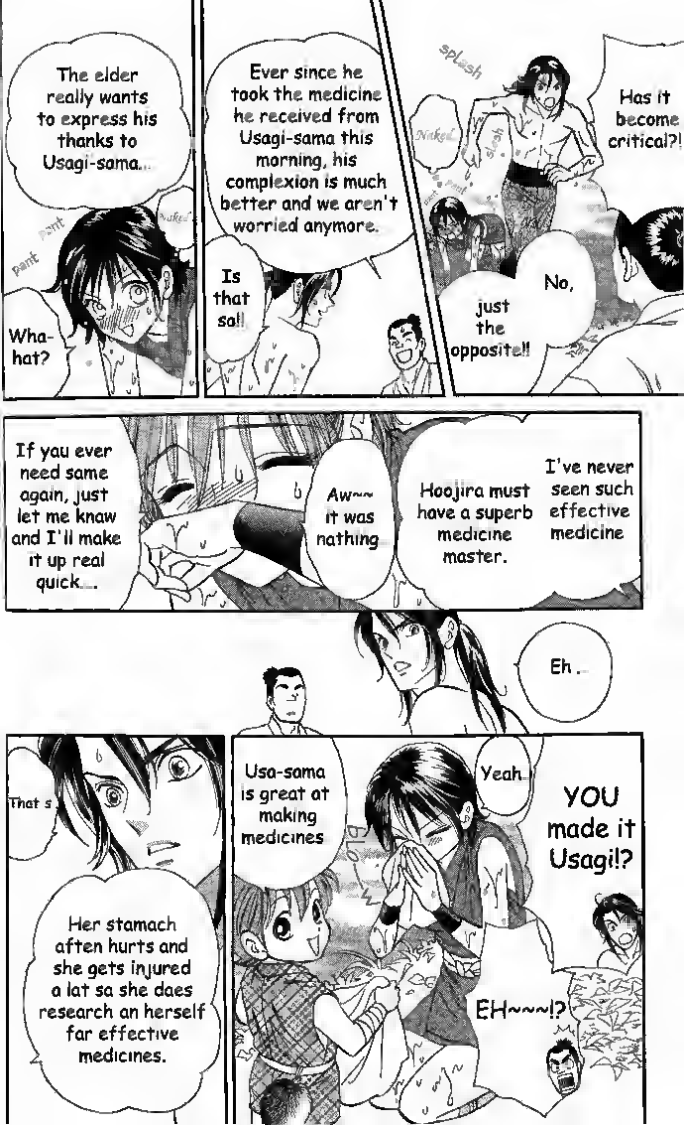
Are..
.are you serious?!
I've brought the water
I've token strong medicines for so long thot normal medicines ond poisons hove stopped working on me!!
antidote antidote!!
D..dan't have any effect..?
scramble
Mamezou
bring me same water
Eh..
GLUG
Gurgle
Drink! Vomit!
Vomit!
Now, drink it Yuuri!!
brisk pace
What is oll the fuss obout?
OH!
Pant---
Pant---
Well, it seems thot Yuuri had a little too much for breakfast
Oh, thot's terrible.
-well
Did--did you need something..?
doki doki
The elder's summer cold has become quite serious and I'm off to call a medicine master so we'll have to postpone the water spider practice a bit.
If that's the case...
?

How DARE you tell him I ate too much..
Then should I tell him about how you tried to poison me?
Pant
Pant
Yuuri,
try not to eat so much.
Say hi to the elder for me
Pant
Pant
Please give him this cold medicine.
That's just what he needs
I'm very grateful
You're reaping what you've sown
Hurry up and lay down.
That would be a problem
Pant
Pant
...I wonder...
...if he is in love with someone...?
Eh?
Hanzou-sama...
I think the poison should wear off in 2-3 days. You'd better make sure to rest until it does.
groan
groan

But to not want to marry me..
I can't think of any other reason..
I can understand why he wouldn't want a stupid girl like you..
Is stupid smip
"I'm fine on my own..."
In love... with someone else?
Keep your hips steady
and move your legs farward as if you were sliding!!
I hadn't thought of that possibility...

SPLASH
Wha-
Eh-----
Try it again!!
Forward! Forward!
O-Okay!
It's the same concept as tightrope walking
Go for it Usa-sama!
Forwaaard Forwaaard
splash
Splash
thrash
GASP
Splash!!
GLUG
Hurry up and get back here!
Usa-sama!!
So you can't swim huh.....
Huh?
Hanzou-sama, hurry up and save Usa-sama!!
You you don't mean...

swish
Then there's no getting around it, I'll have to start with teaching you to swim
KYA
!!
You're fine like that
And anyways your clothes are already soaked
Do-Do I have to undress too!?
Splash
Splash
Hanzou-sama is naked!!
Hanzou-sama
The elder's condtion has...!!
rustle rustle
Hanzou-sama's naked body is over-whelming!!
Are you listening to me!?
kick kick kick kick
splash splash
Didn't I just tell you not to "flap"
Naked!! Naked!!


The elder really wants to express his thanks to Usagi-sama...
Pant Pant
Wha-hat?
Ever since he took the medicine he received from Usagi-sama this morning, his complexion is much better and we aren't worried anymore.
Is that so!!
splash
Nakgl
Has it become critical?!
No, just the opposite!!
If you ever need same again, just let me knaw and I'll make it up real quick....
Aw~~ it was nathing
Hoojira must have a superb medicine master.
I've never seen such effective medicine
Eh..
That s
Her stamach aften hurts and she gets injured a lat sa she daes research an herself far effective medicines.
Usa-sama is great at making medicines
Yeah
YOU made it Usagi!?
EH~~~!?

This serves as a reminder that everyone has at least one strong point!!
I'm moved!!
That's magnificent
He- He's praising me!?
Oh my nose...
I've been praised by Hanzou-sama!!
This is the first time
I'll be expecting it.
Many people are feeling sick to their stomachs because of the heat.
This moy be o bit sudden, but could you make us some stomoch medicine?
Hanzou-sama praised me!!
Mamezou, I'm going out to collect ingredients for the medicine.
Blow your nose, Usa-sama~
blow!
your nose
That's my specioltyl!
drink

BANG
Heh~~~ It's finally finished..
STOMP STOMP
Stop making so much noise
groan
If I can get him to praise me more and more, maybe he'll fall in love with me!!
GRIND GRIND
Usagi-sama,
pant pant
I have a favor to ask of you!
Could you please possibly make some medicine for him?
Well, my father is ill with a heart ailment.
Wh... What!?
I can't do something that is impossible!!
Don't say that....
soooob
I'm not a medicine master or anything, there's no way I could make medicines that would definitely cure them...
Would you make a strong medicine for my daughter who was badly injured on a mission...
Medi-cine...?
CROWD
My grandmother may be dying and...
Wait...

I'll make it, I'll make it I said!!

Hanzou-sama Usagi-sama says she...

push

Oh, so the masses have already heard and come flocking to you huh?

brisk pace

grasp

I'll have it done by tomorrow!!

Just leave it to me!!

That's admirable of you, Usagi

I'll do my best! Hehe!

Thank you so much~

N-No don't do that stop it--

THUD
Ku...
Ku...
Mamezou you little...
If only he hadn't looked at me so happily..
I'm tired too... I want to go to bed...
Usa-samo~
I'm tired~
So...
...tired!!
I should take something to help me stay awake...
stagger
My back hurts too
Yawn.
grrrrrind
grrrrrind
Keep it down~
yawn
stumble
WHOA
I'll be expecting it...
Impossible!! I've had enough!!
Now I'll have to start all over...
waaaaaa
.....
Huff...
Huff Huff...
It's all mixed together. The medicine.

EEEP
Usagi?!
It's so dark!
I'm scared!
Eeeeeek!
It's me, Hanzou!!
A GHOST!
vroooom
Do it tomorrow...
Collecting medicinal herbs...
step
step
What are you doing out in the dead of night?
sniffle
H...Ho...Honzou-sama...
I CAN'T!!
step
step
I promised you that
Usagi?
sob
I'd have it ready by tomorrow!!
step
step
sniffle
grab

I'll go with you so the gathering will be faster
His hand...
DOKU
Hanzou-sama's hand is...!!
Watch where you step
His hands are so large.
DOKU
DOKU

Large...
and
so warm...
blow
Wha-
What?!
It's scary in the dark!!
Shhh

I come here often by myself...
to see these small twinkling lights
How pretty!
Fireflies!!

I love them...
So soft and fragile, these small lights..
Hanzou-sama
Are you in love with someone...?
DOKIN
I didn't mean to ask him that...
Uwa...
DOKIN
DOKIN

Who knows
Well, we'd better go collect those herbs

Honzou-somo...
What's wrong!?
Why are you crying!?
Waaa!
sob
sniff
Usagi!?
bubble
drop
You're so close to me...
We're even holding hands.
But it feels like you're for for oway...
sniff
sniff

Idiot...

BA-THUMP
BA-THUMP
I'm right here...
BA-THUMP
Hanzou-sama's heartbeat...
I can hear it...